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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 37.

The following Regulations made by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th December, 1900, to come into force on the 1st February, 1901, are published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 21st January, 1901.

REGULATIONS

*With reference to the engagement and discharge of the Masters and Engineers of Steam-ships under sixty tons burden, made by the Governor in Council, under the Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance, 1891, this 28th day of December, 1900.*

1. In these Regulations the word "launch" means a steam-ship under sixty tons burden in this Colony.
2. Every launch owner shall report to the Harbour Master the name of, and number of the certificate held by, every launch Master and Engineer engaged by him, within 48 hours of such engagement.
3. Every launch owner shall report to the Harbour Master the name of, and number of the certificate held by, every launch Master and Engineer discharged by him, giving the reason for such discharge, within 48 hours of such discharge.
4. Every launch Master and Engineer, holding a certificate, shall, on engagement, produce such certificate to the Harbour Master for registration, and shall pay for such registration a fee of fifty cents for the use of the Government.
5. Every launch Master and Engineer shall, on discharge, report such discharge to the Harbour Master within 48 hours of such discharge, producing his certificate.
6. A record shall be kept in the Harbour Master's Office, setting forth the dates of each engagement and discharge of each certificated launch Master and Engineer, the reason for his discharge, and all complaints and charges against him, and any punishments awarded in respect thereof by the Marine or other Magistrate, or by the Harbour Master. Such record shall be open to inspection by launch owners or their representatives.
7. These Regulations shall not apply to launches belonging to Her Majesty or in the service of any Foreign Government.
8. Any launch owner, Master, or Engineer, respectively, committing any breach of these Regulations shall, for each such breach, be liable, upon summary conviction before a Magistrate, to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
HONGKONG.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*